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STORY SO FAR



**DR. STARLINE**

Theatrical Scientist.
Nefarious puppeteer.

SURGE THE TENREC

The Mean Green.
Roguish speedster.

**KITSUNAMI "KIT" THE FENNEC**

Sorrowful Sidekick.
High-flying hydromancer.

FILE: SON-1CO-25B

EGGMAN...
DOCTOR EGGMAN...
REJECTED ME. I
WORKED... SO HARD...
TO HELP HIM. AND HE...
HE ROBS ME! HAS ME
THROWN INTO THE
WILDERNESS!*

*STH #25--EDS.

FILE: SON-1CO-25B

IF HE WON'T
ACCEPT MY
HELP, HE'LL BE
MADE TO
SEE!

SEE THIS FRAME I PROTOTYPED?!
IT'S REVOLUTIONARY! I WAS
GOING TO SHOW HIM THE CONCEPT,
BUT NOW I'LL GIVE HIM A
LIVE DISPLAY!

A-A-AND
IT'LL RUN RINGS
AROUND METAL
SONIC! WHATEVER IT
TURNS OUT TO BE...

FILE: SON-1CO-25B

NO SLOPPILY
CONSTRUCTED
BADNIKS! NO
OVERSPECIALIZED
VANITY PROJECTS!
YES! THAT MEANS
YOU, METAL
SONIC!

BUT A
VERSATILE,
ROBUST,
SUPERIOR
CREATION!

FILE: B40-GU7-04B

INTROSPECTION AND REVISION. TWO THINGS MY IDOL LACKS. TWO THINGS I MUST EMBRACE TO SURPASS HIM.



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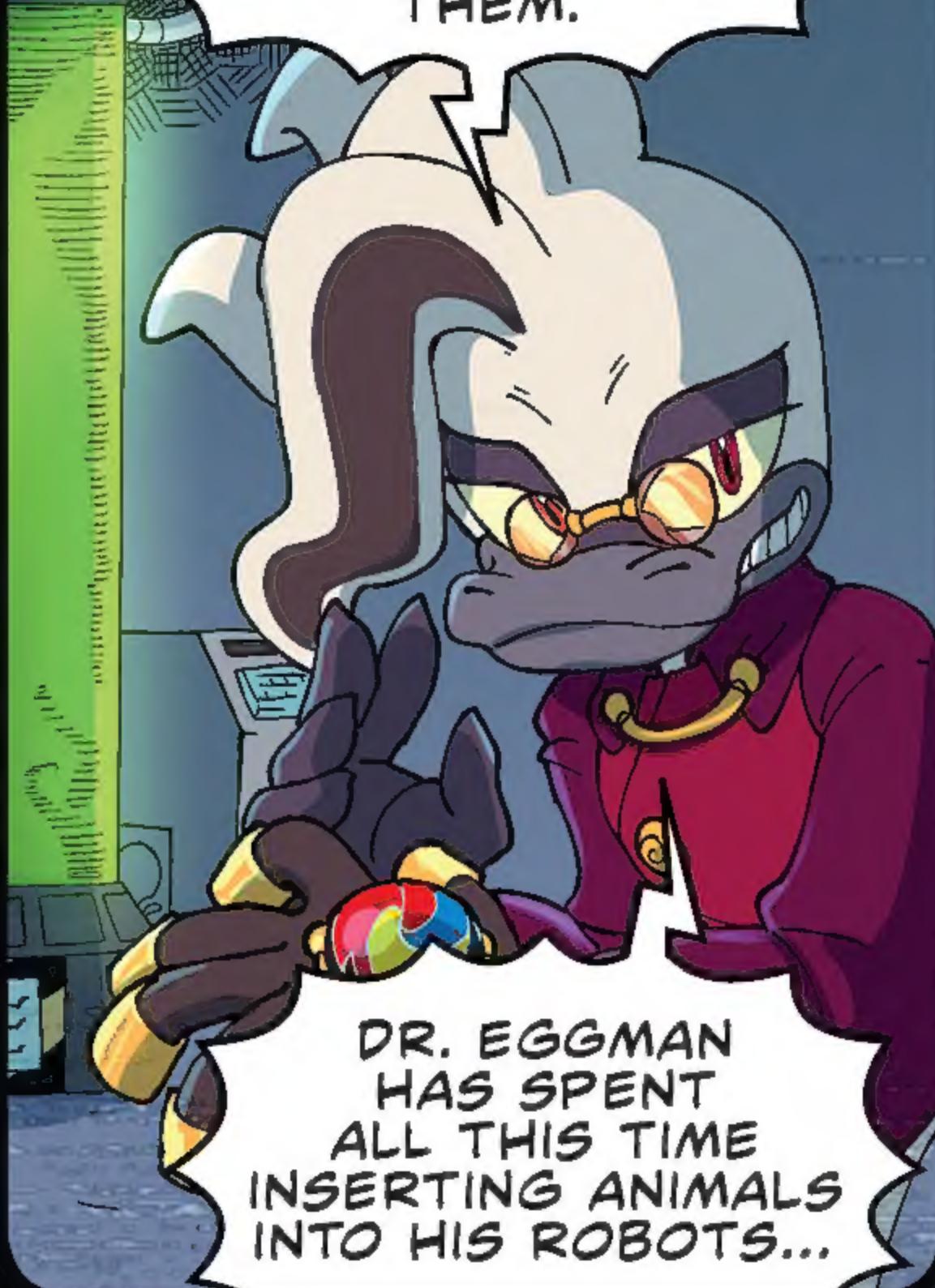
MY TIME WITH ZAVOK AND THE OTHERS OPENED MY EYES.* MY INITIAL PLANS WERE SHORT-SIGHTED.



*STH: BAD GUYS #1-4--EDS.

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I NEED THE WILL AND INGENUITY OF A LIVING BEING. I NEED TO TAKE MY INITIAL DESIGNS AND FUSE THEM.

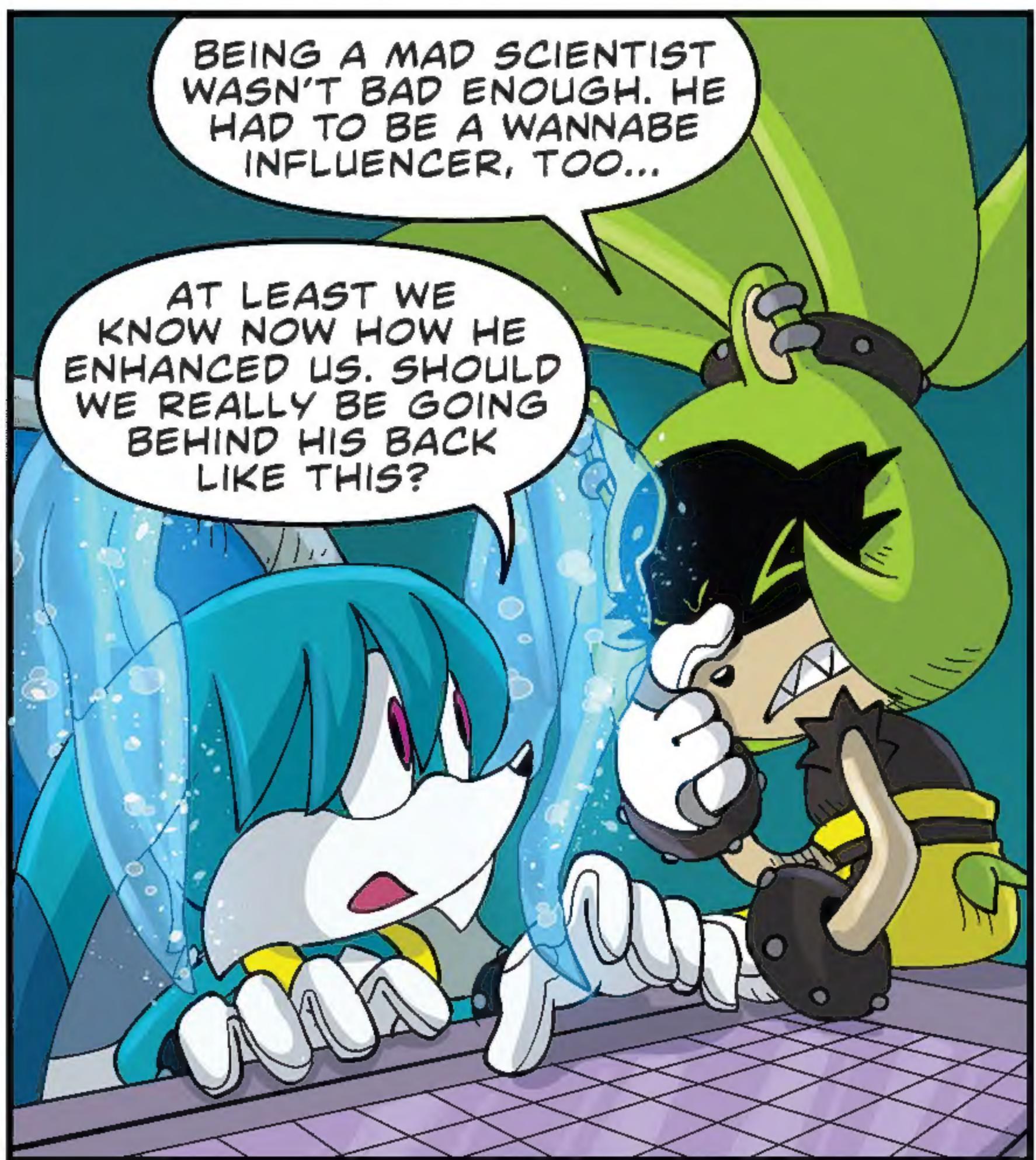


DR. EGGMAN HAS SPENT ALL THIS TIME INSERTING ANIMALS INTO HIS ROBOTS...

FILE: B40-GU7-04B

...WHEN THE SOLUTION WAS THE OTHER WAY AROUND.



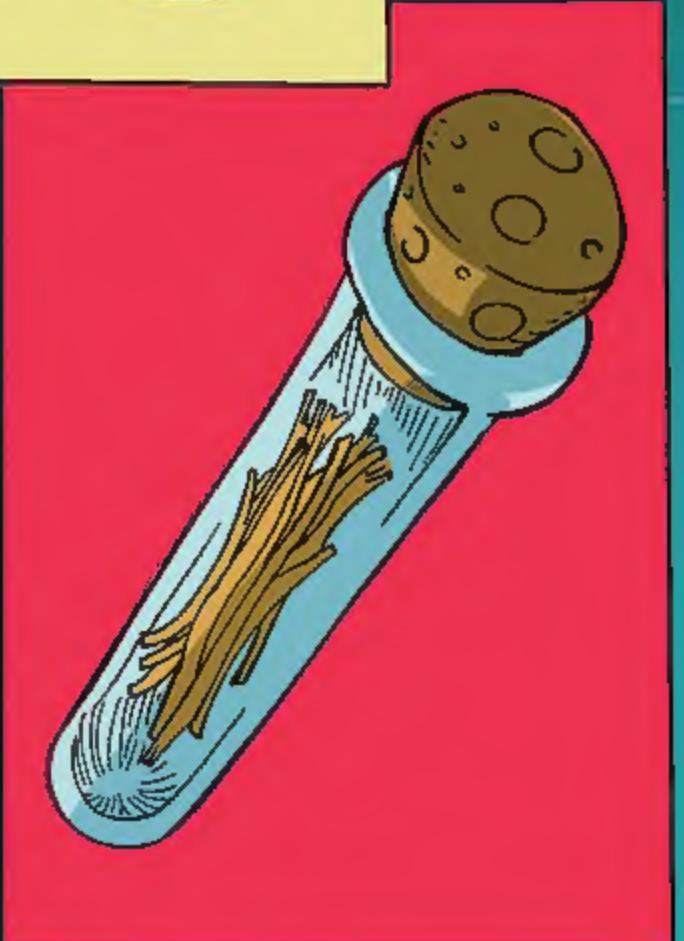
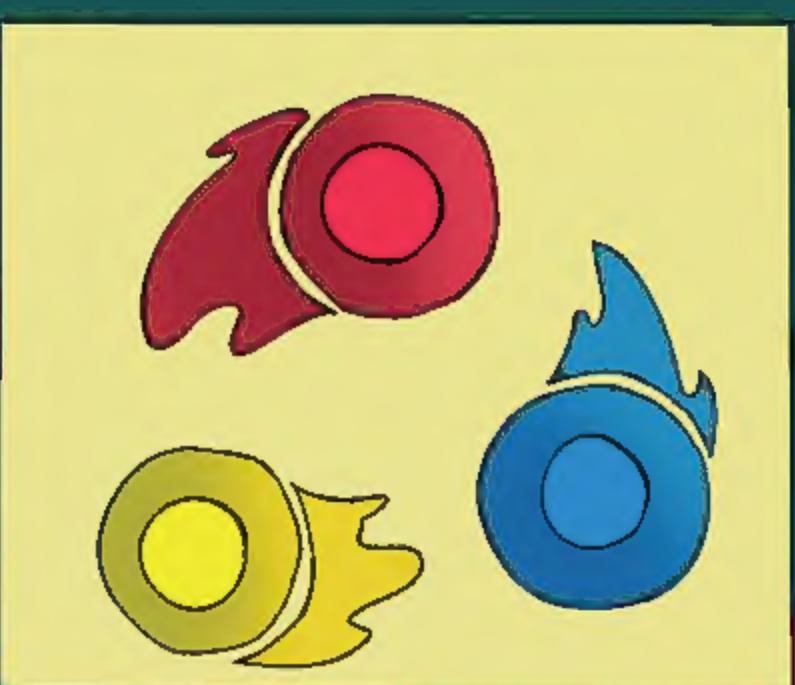


FILE: POS-757-H44

THE CYBERNETIC ENHANCEMENTS HAVE TAKEN. MY BASE MODELS ARE COMPLETE. NOW COMES THE SPECIALIZATION.

FILE: POS-757-H44

I HAVE ASSEMBLED ALL THE NECESSARY INGREDIENTS TO EMULATE THE BIOMECHANICAL MIRACLES OF MY ADVERSARIES AND INSTALL THEM INTO MY CYBERNETIC ENFORCERS.



FILE: POS-757-H44

EMULATED, BUT NOT REPLICATED. SUBJECT "KITSUNAMI" WILL NEED EXTERNAL SUPPORT. SUBJECT "SURGE" WILL NEED ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PROPULSION.

BUT I'M AIMING TO IMPROVE UPON THINGS, NOT MAINTAIN THE STATUS QUO.

FILE: POS-757-H44

BUT THAT MUCH POWER MUST BE KEPT UNDER CONTROL. ONCE AGAIN, I LOOK TO DR. EGGMAN FOR INSPIRATION.

FILE: POS-757-H44

I ACQUIRED THE PROGRAMMING OF ONE OF HIS MORE... UNORTHODOX CONSTRUCTIONS.

WITH HER, I HAD THE MEANS OF FABRICATING A PERSONALITY. OR RATHER OVERWRITING EXISTING ONES.

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FILE: POS-757-H44

MY CREATIONS WILL THINK WHAT I WANT THEM TO THINK. WANT WHAT I DESIRE THEM TO WANT. BE WHO I WANT THEM TO BE.

AND AS A FAIL-SAFE, THEY'VE BEEN MADE ESPECIALLY PRONE TO MY HYPNOTIC GEAR. JUST IN CASE THEY NEED... REALIGNMENT.



SUBJECT: "SURGE."
SESSION 005.

YOU HATE SONIC. YOU WANT TO DESTROY SONIC.

I HATE SONIC. I WANT TO DESTROY SONIC.

SUBJECT: "KITSUNAMI."
SESSION 002.

YOU LIVE TO SUPPORT SURGE. YOU WILL DO ANYTHING FOR HER.

LIVE... FOR SURGE. DO ANYTHING...

SUBJECT: "SURGE."
SESSION 058.

YOU HATE SONIC. YOU WANT TO DESTROY SONIC.

I HATE SONIC. I WANT TO DESTROY SONIC.

SUBJECT: "KITSUNAMI."
SESSION 015.

YOU LIVE TO SUPPORT SURGE. YOU WILL DO ANYTHING FOR HER.

I LIVE TO SUPPORT SURGE. I WILL DO ANYTHING FOR HER.

SUBJECT: "SURGE."
SESSION 232.

AND WHAT OF THE WORLD-RENNOWNED HERO, SONIC?

PSSHT. I HATE THAT JERK. I'LL WIPE MY SHOES ON HIS GRAVE AFTER I PUT HIM IN IT.

SUBJECT: "KITSUNAMI."
SESSION 033.

AND WHAT OF YOUR PARTNER, SURGE?

I LOOK OUT FOR HER! NO MATTER WHAT! I'LL DO ANYTHING FOR HER! WHERE IS SHE? CAN I SEE HER NOW?

FILE: PR3-1MP-SYM

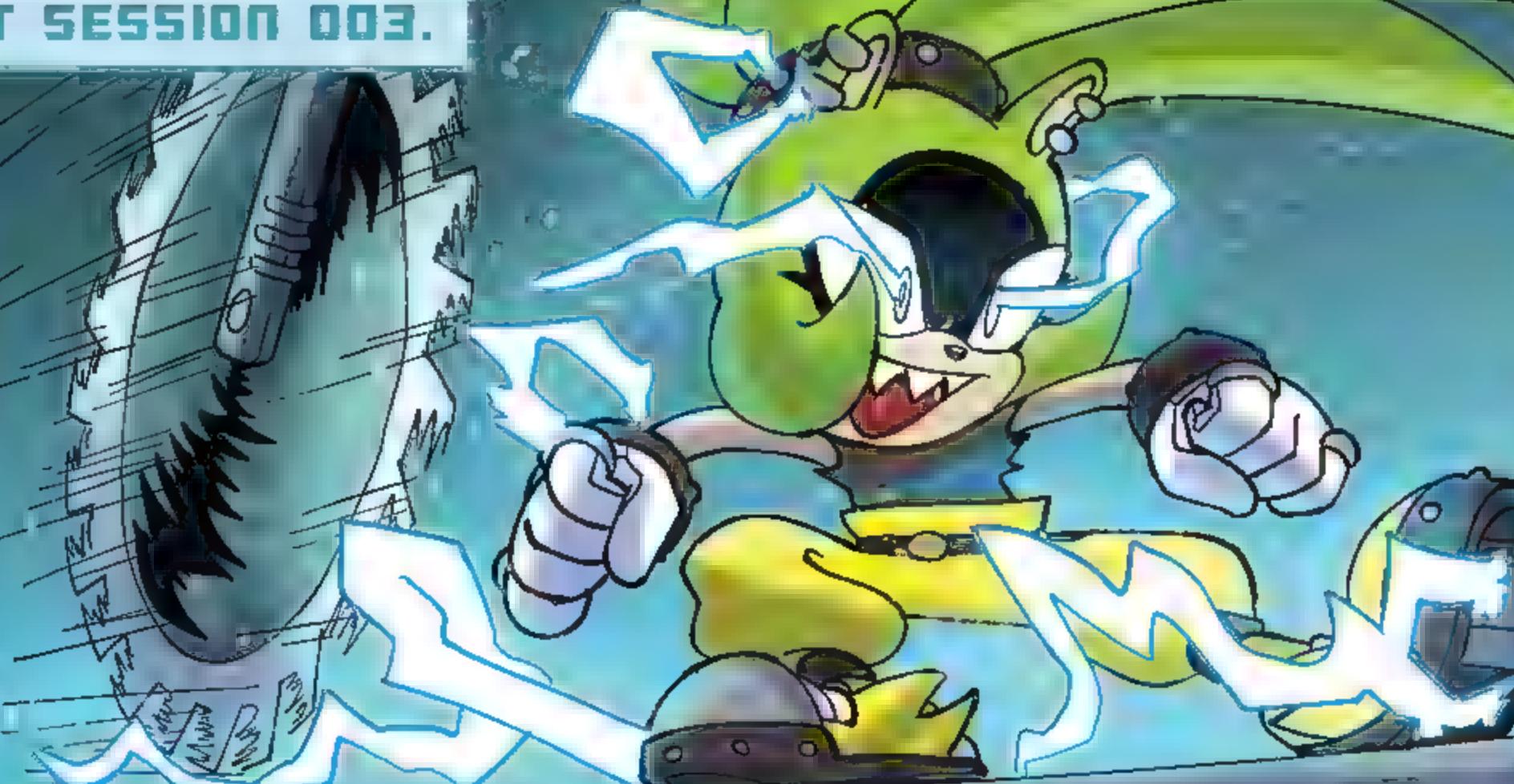
SIGH: SO, I HAD REPURPOSED THE RESILIENCE OF THE METAL VIRUS INTO SAFE CELLULAR UPGRADES TO SUPPLEMENT THE ENHANCEMENT CYBERNETICS.



SURGE AND KITSUNAMI ARE EXCEEDINGLY RESILIENT. PHYSICALLY. BUT...

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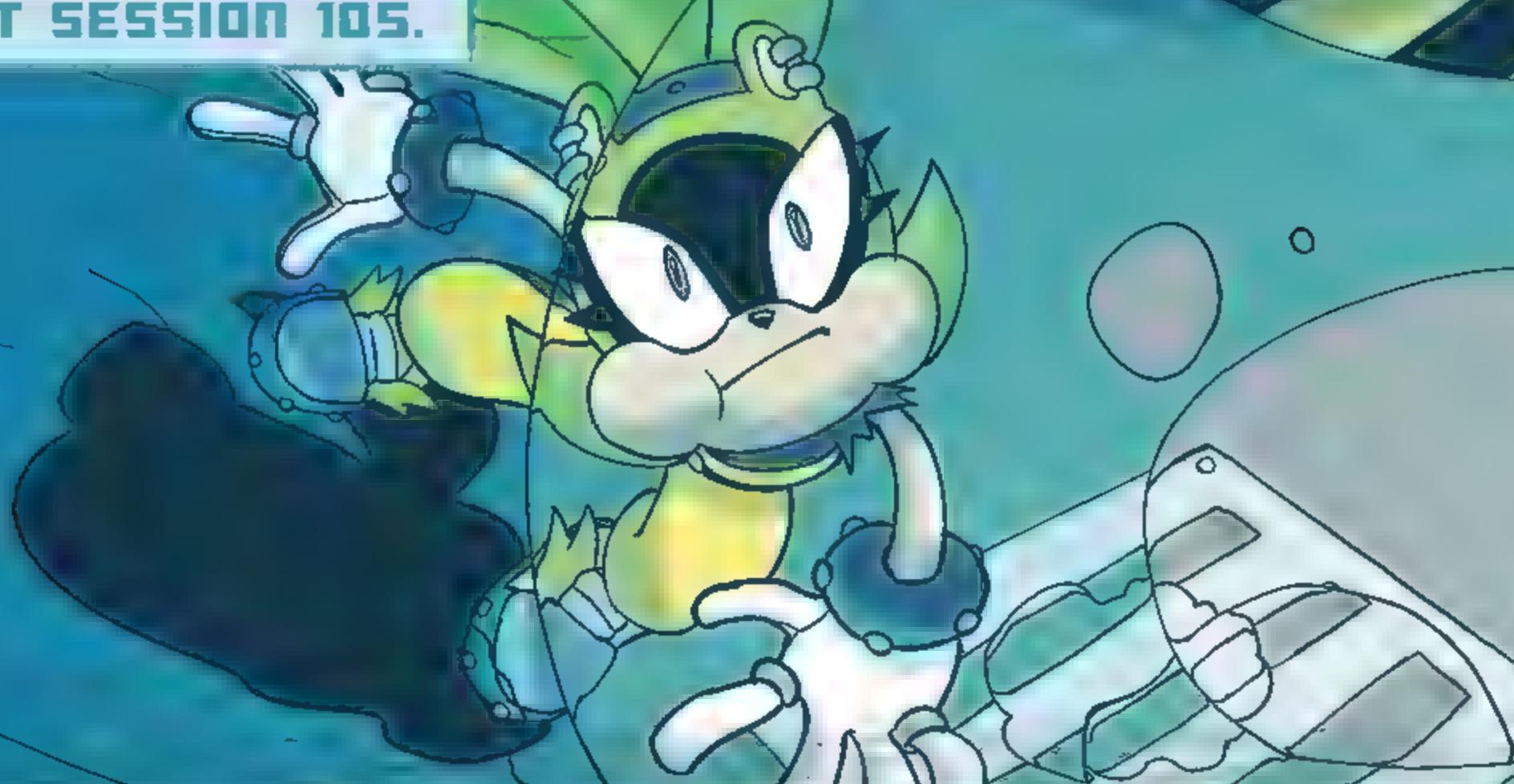
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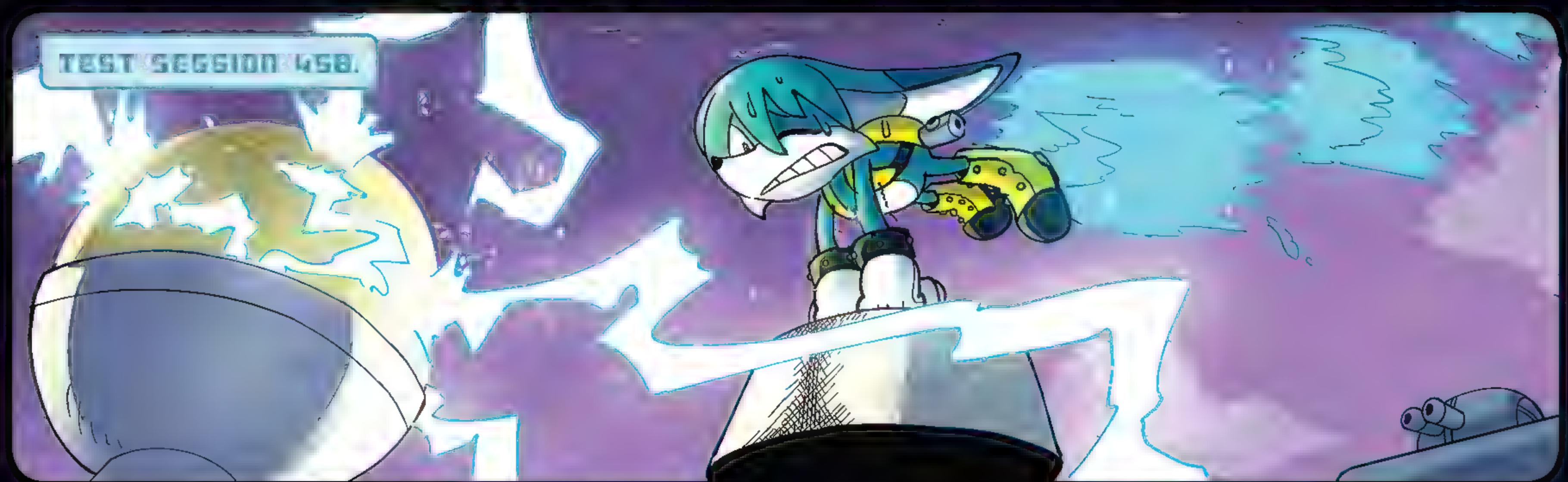
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I'M NOT RUNNING IT AGAIN! YOU WANT DATA?! YOU RUN IT!

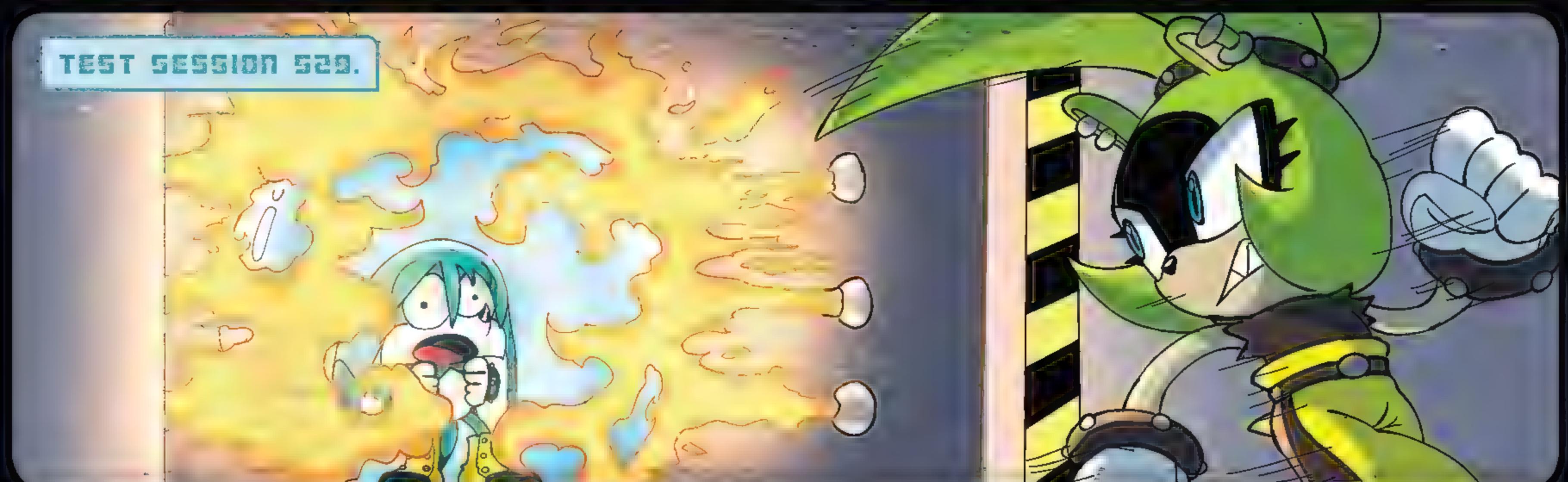
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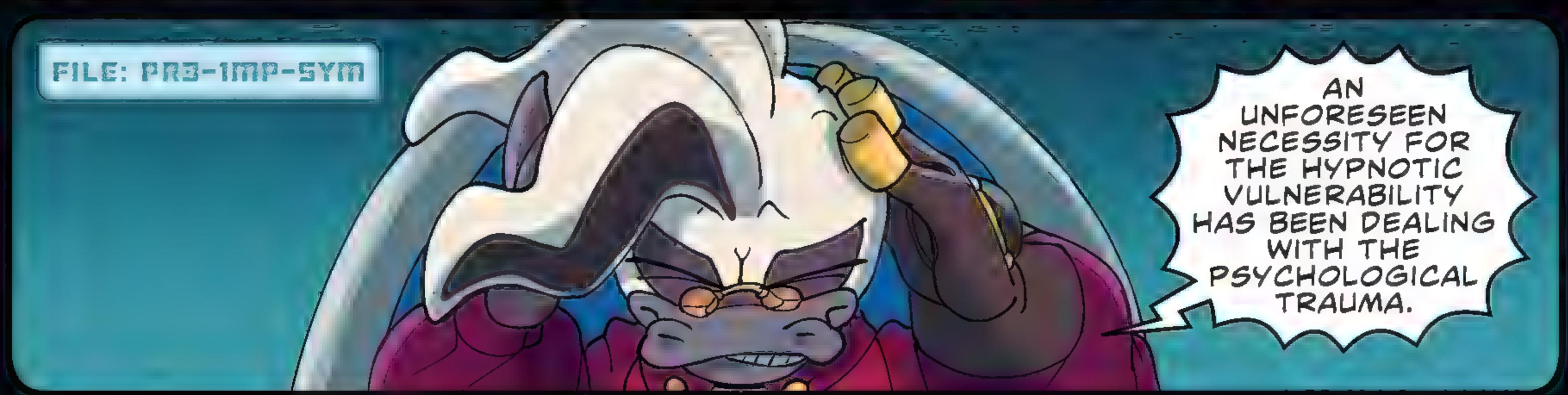
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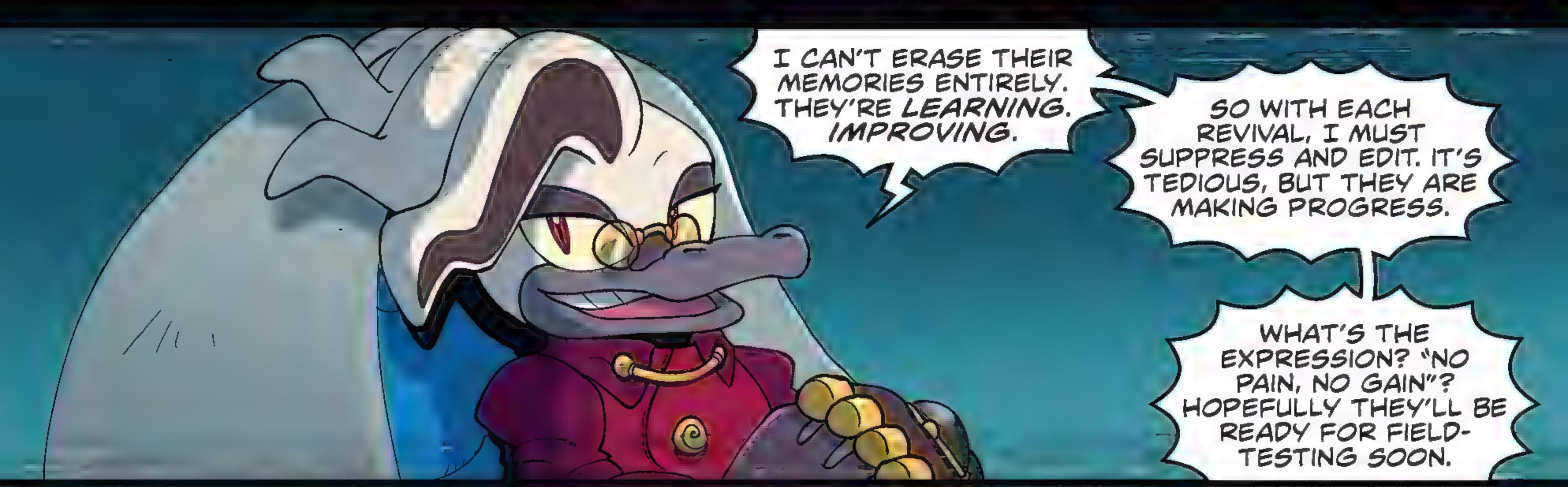


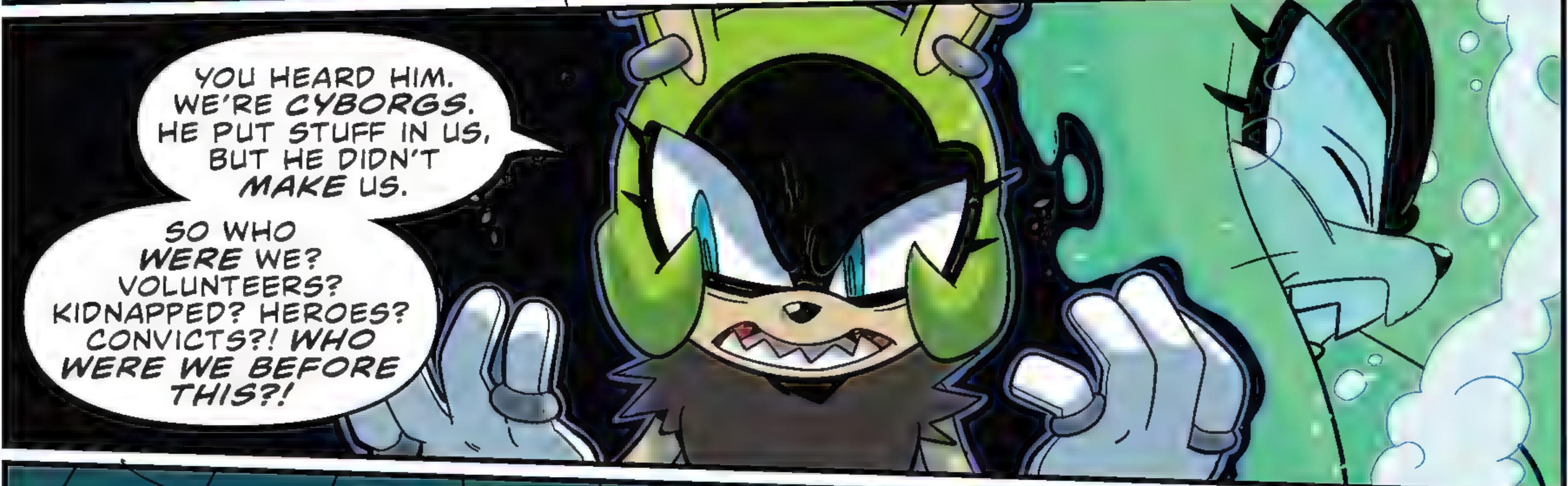
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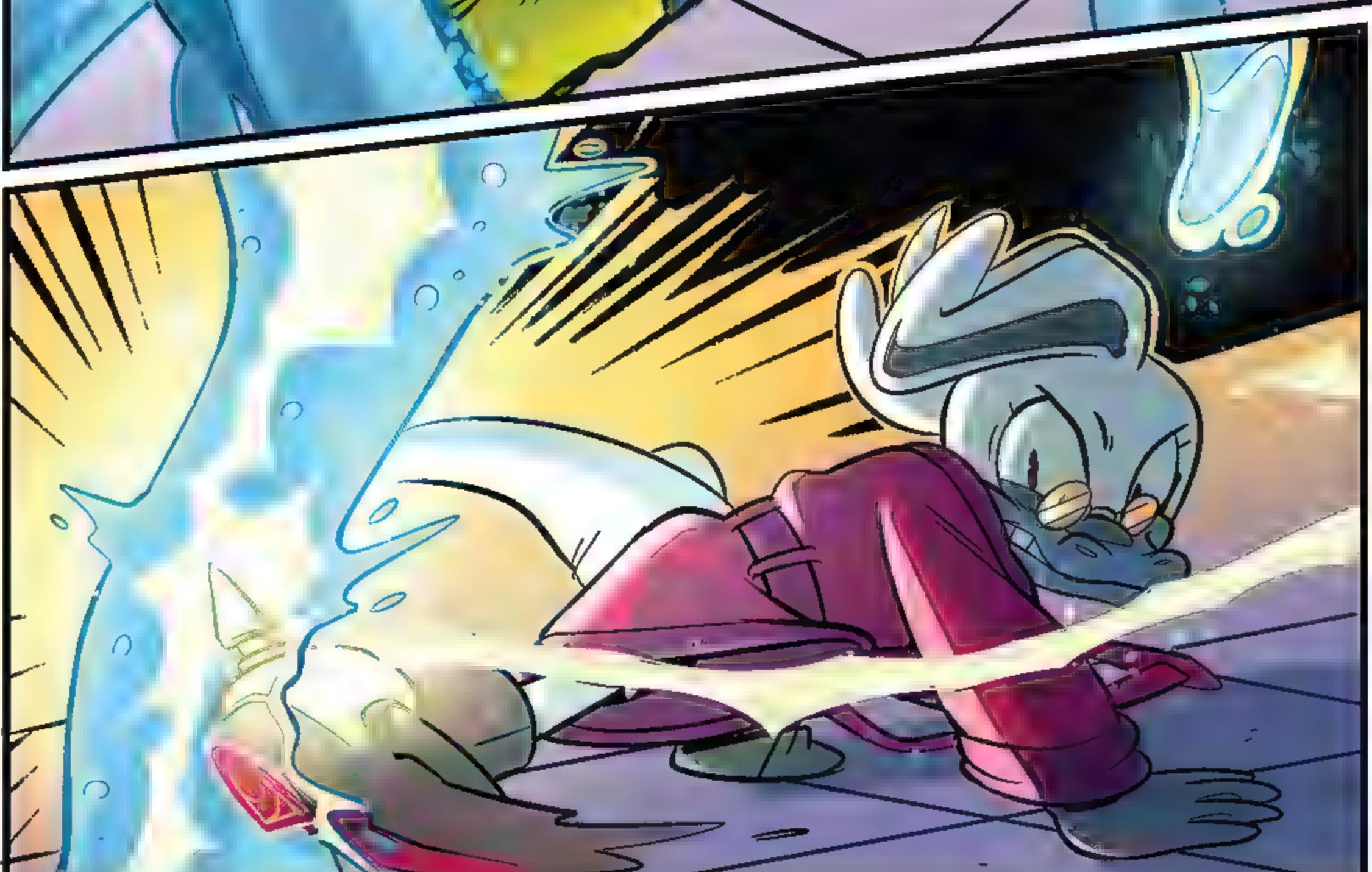
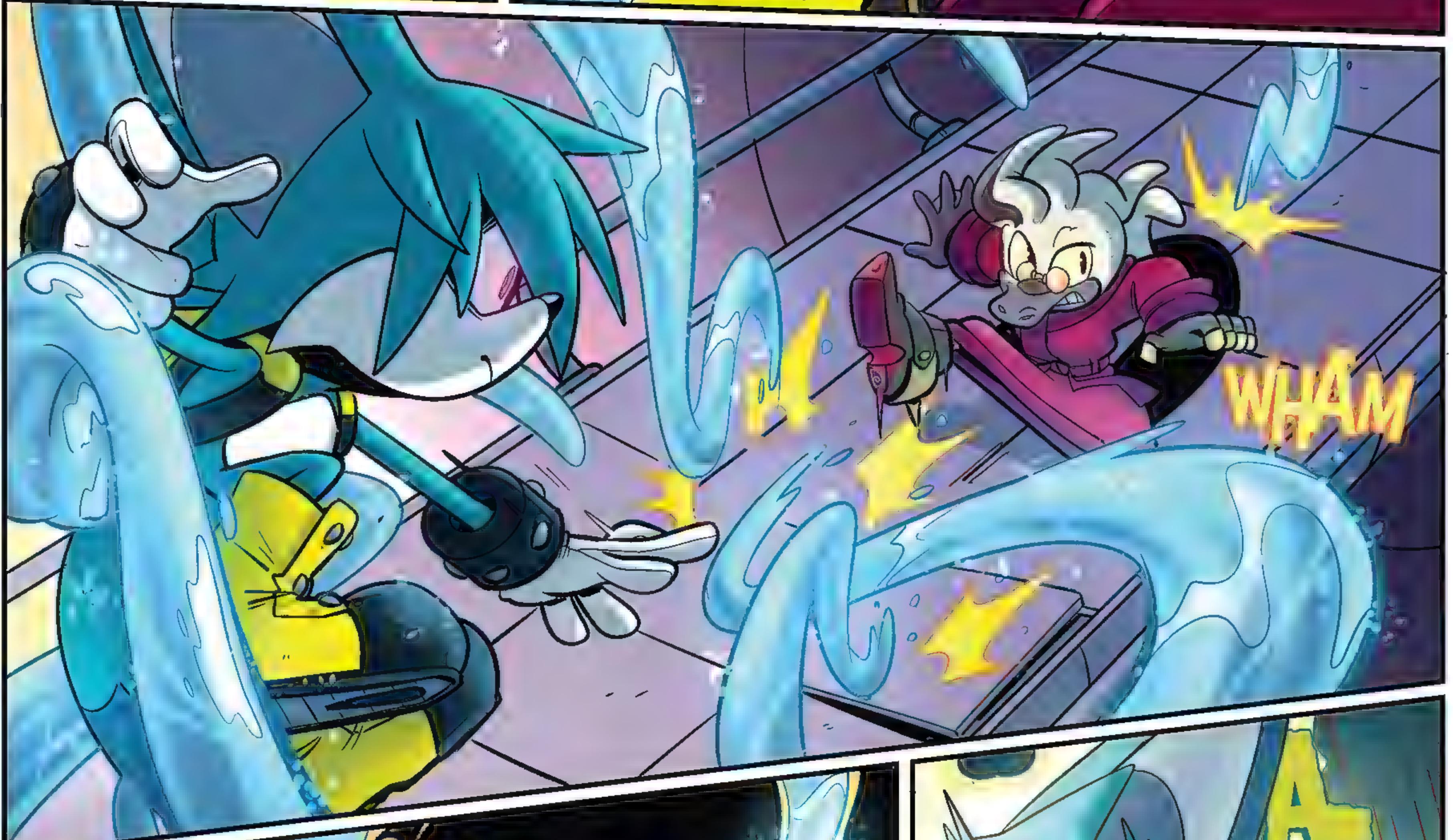
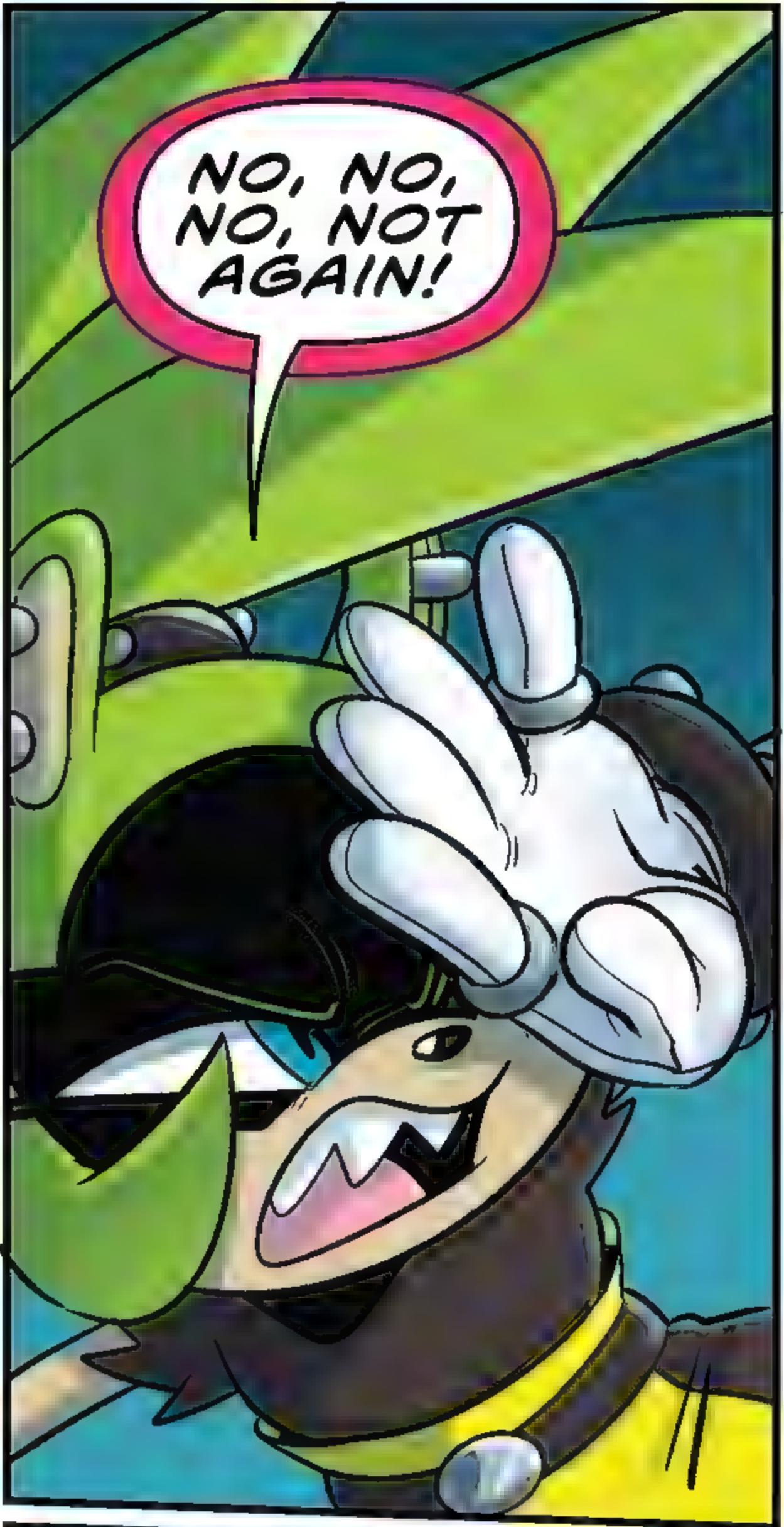
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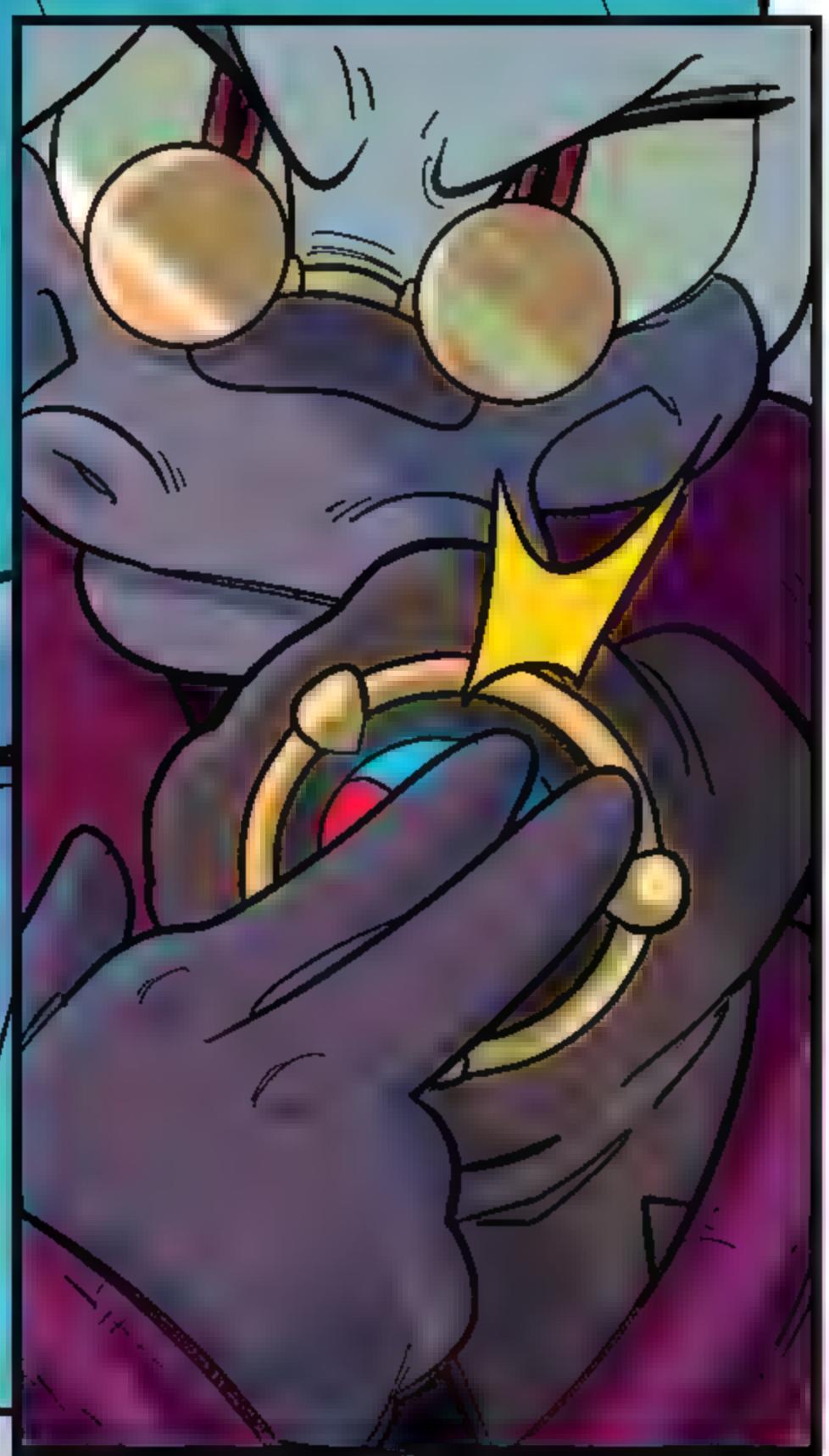




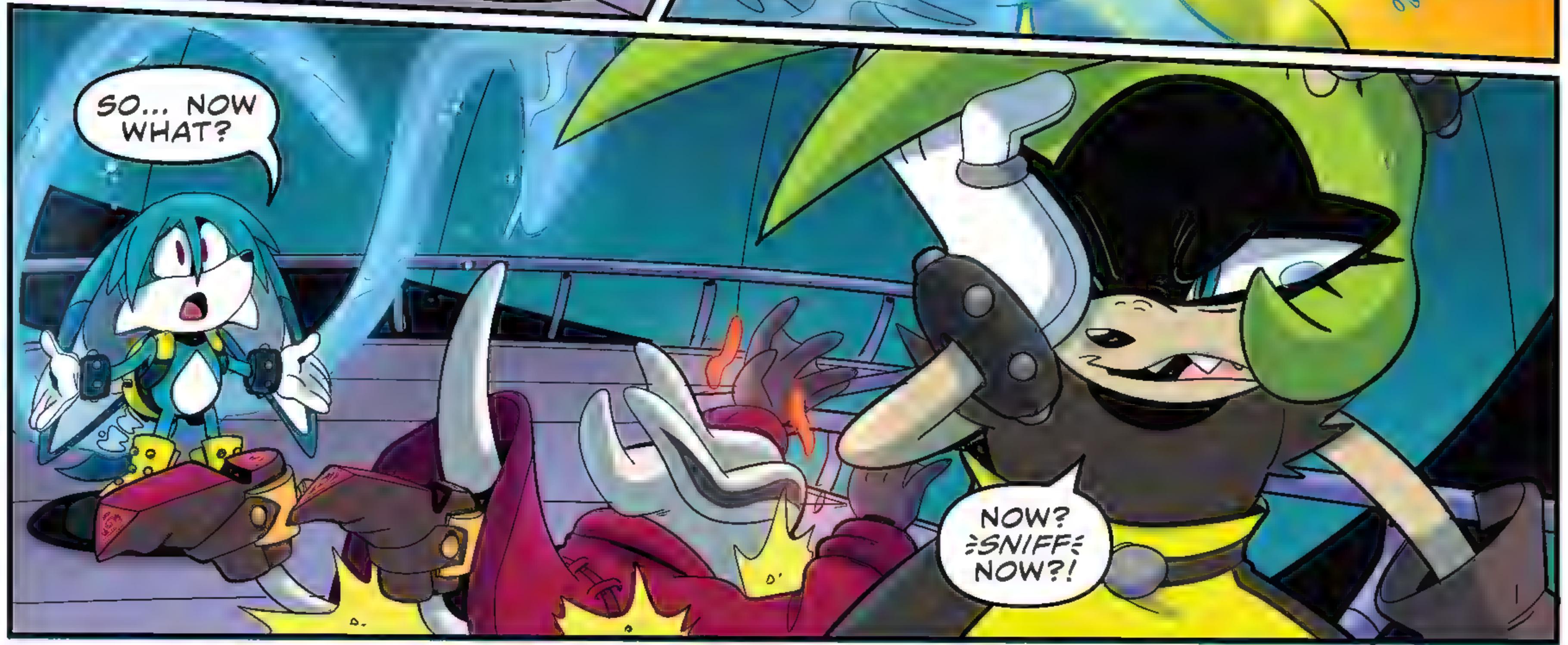


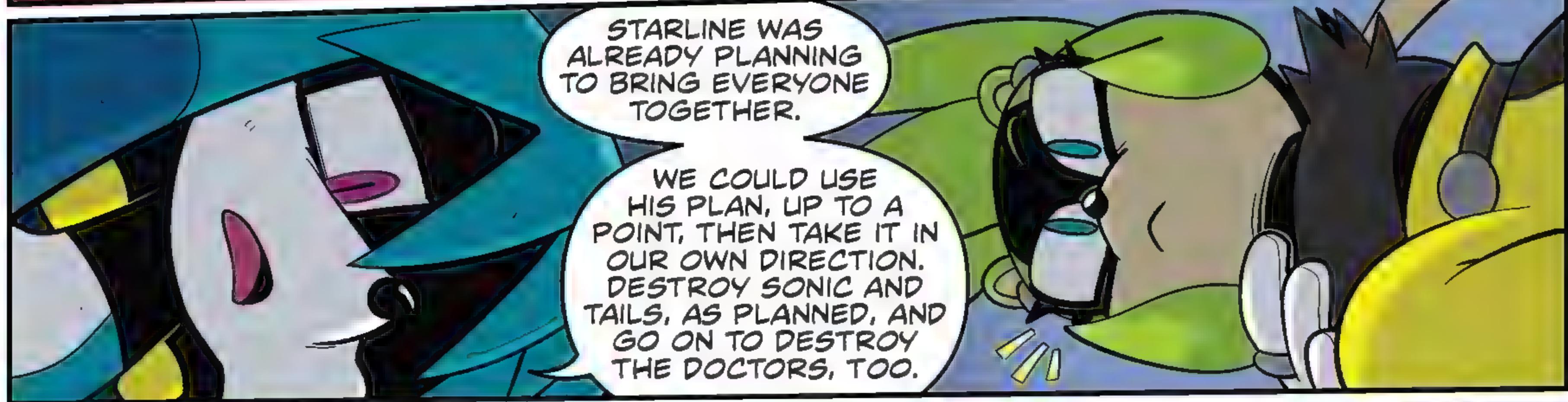


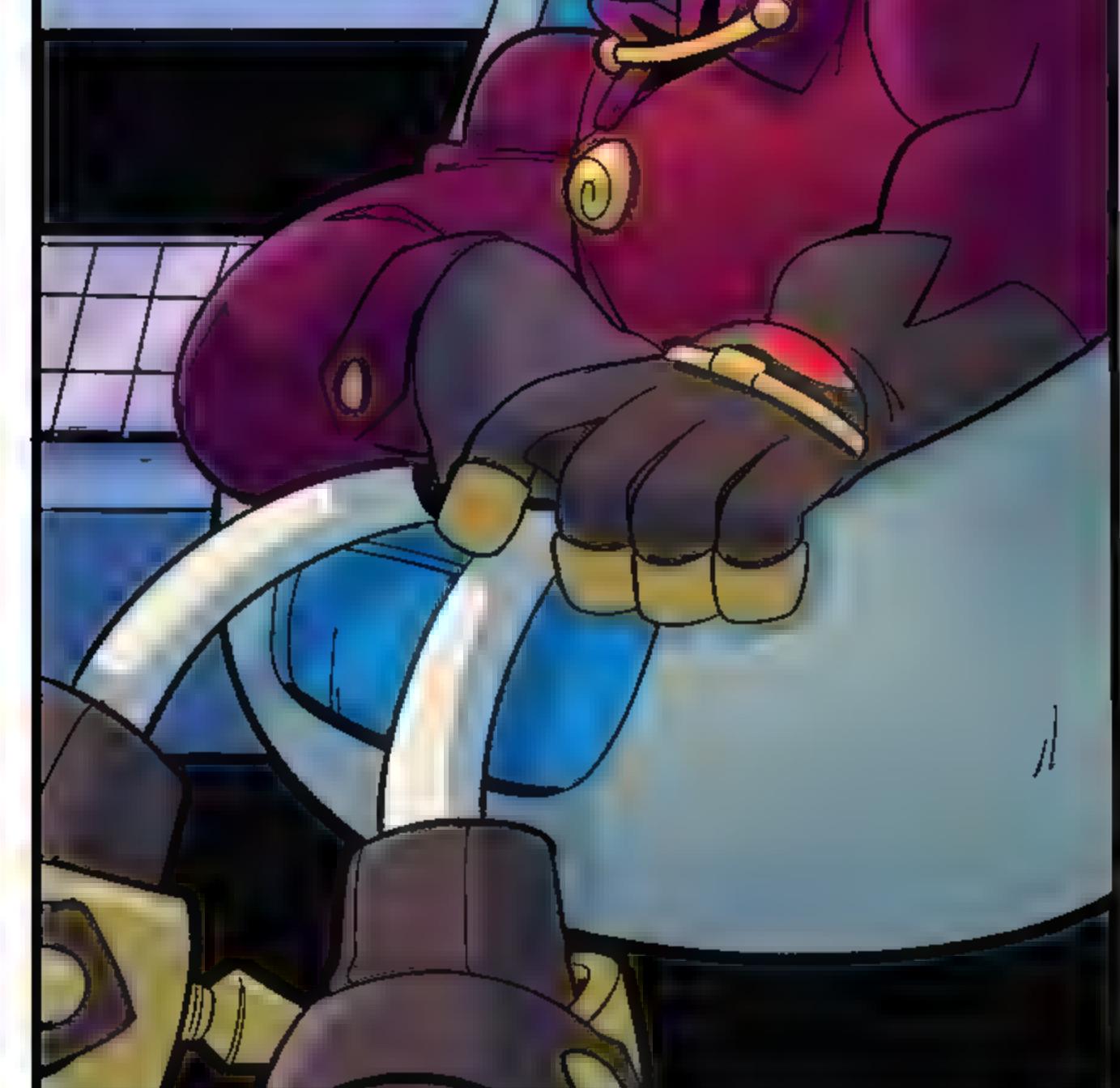
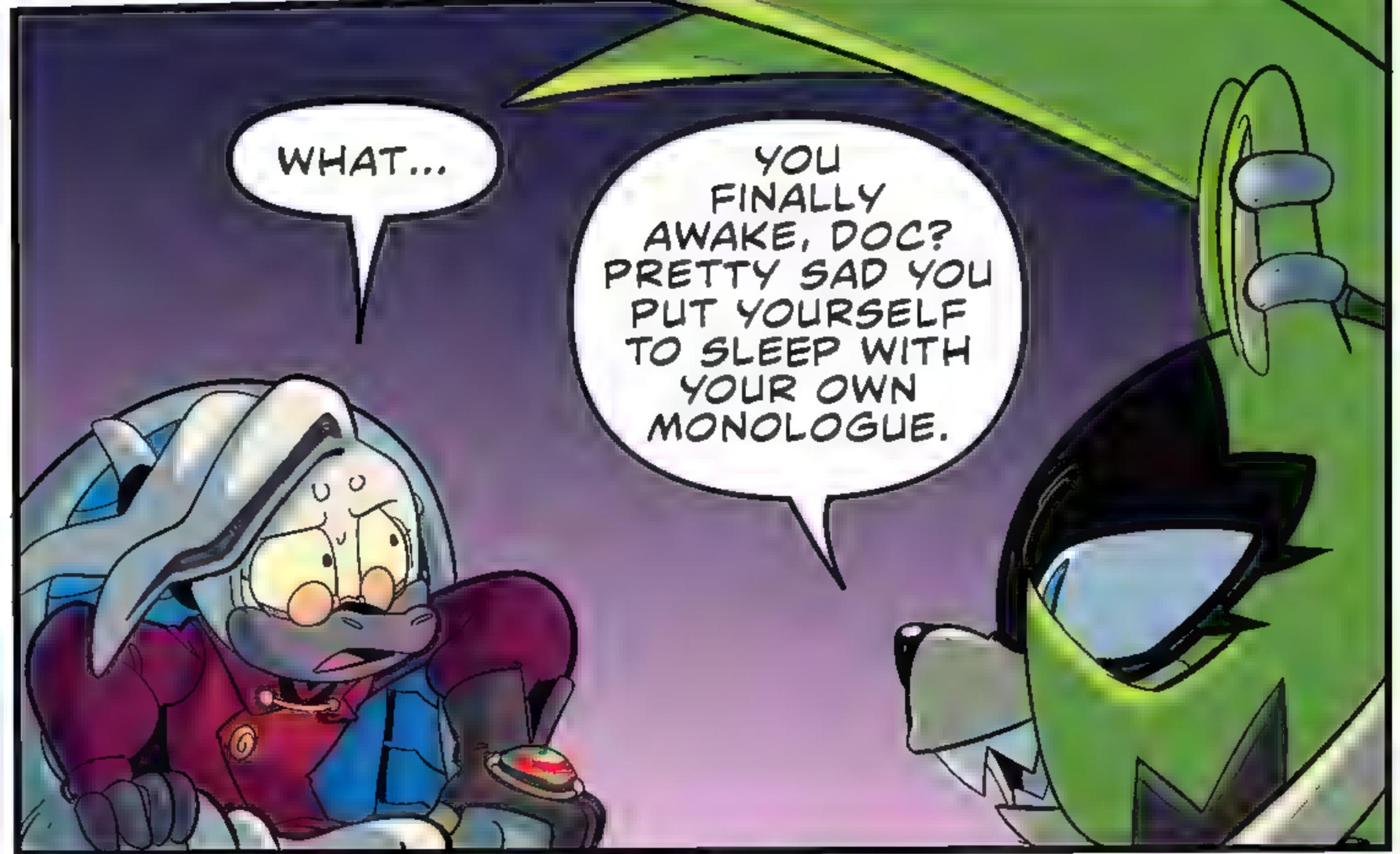
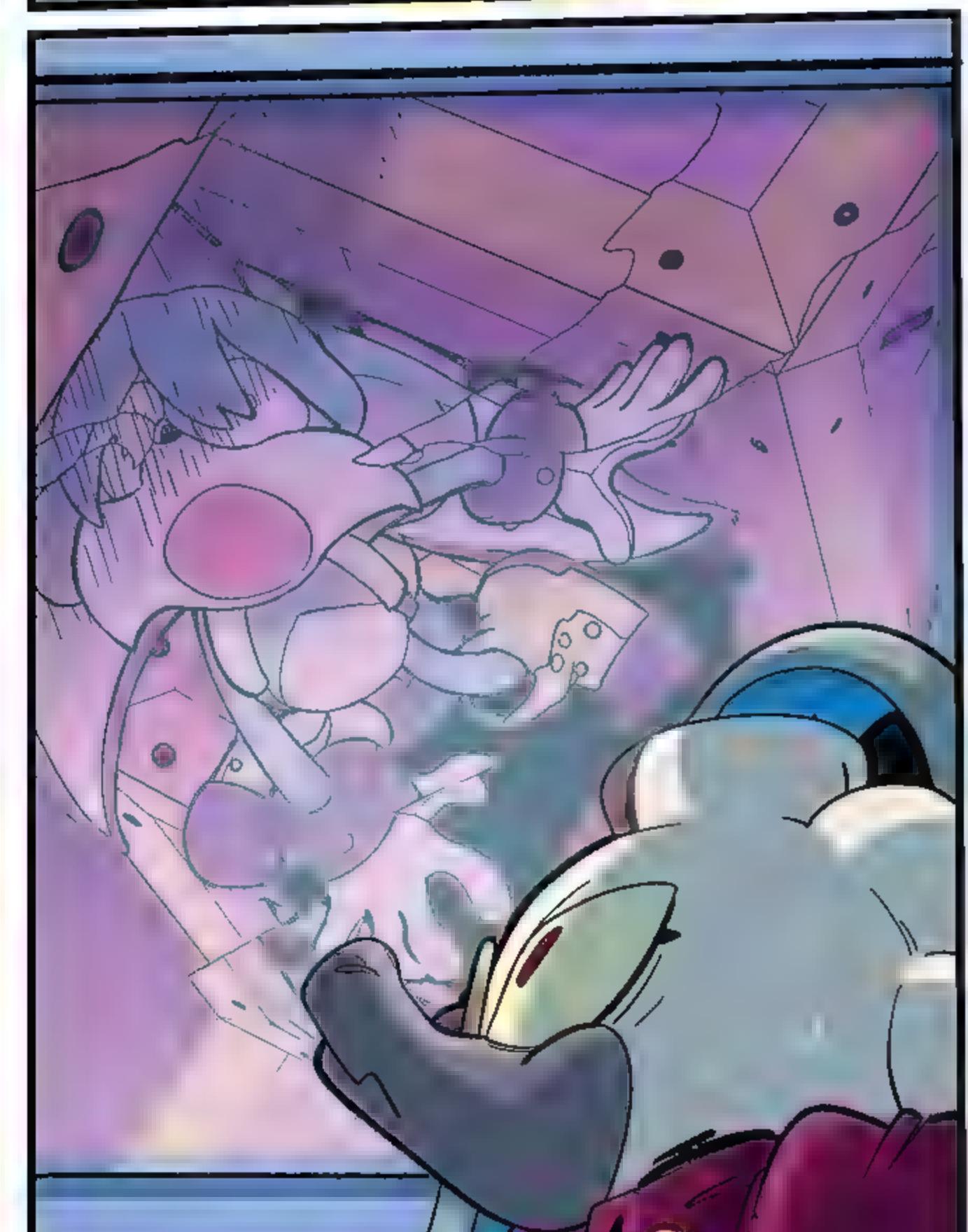




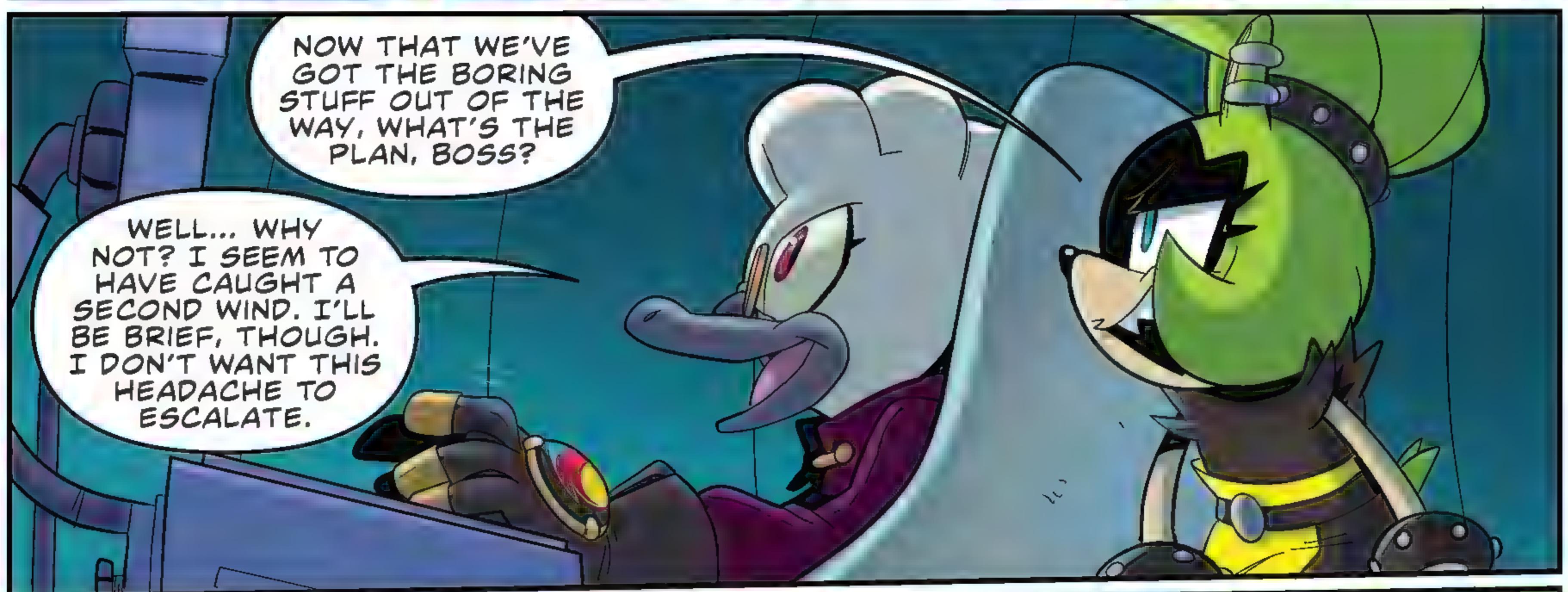
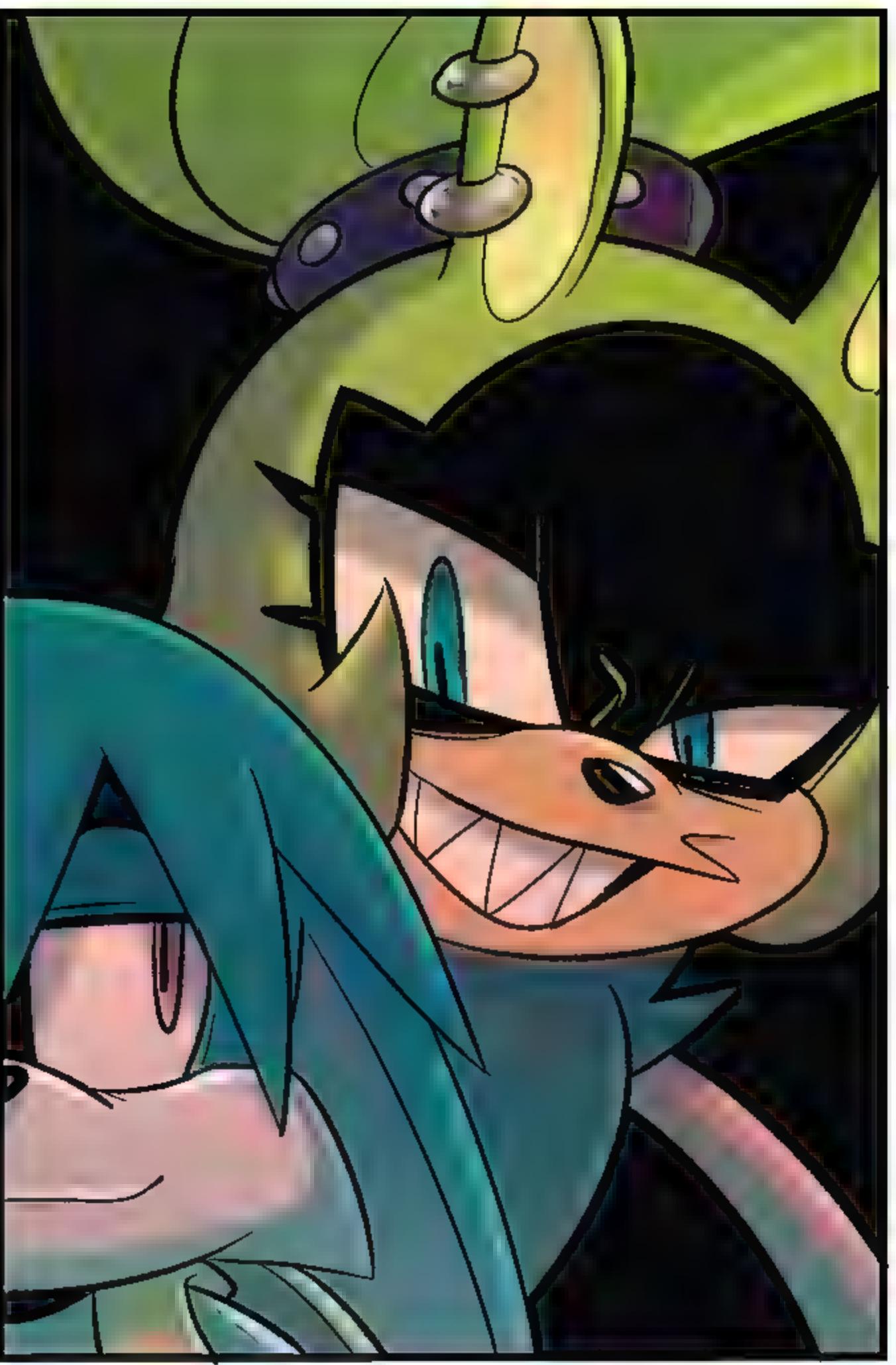














OUR ACTIVITIES THERE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY GRAB THE ATTENTION OF THE HEROES AND LURE THEM IN.

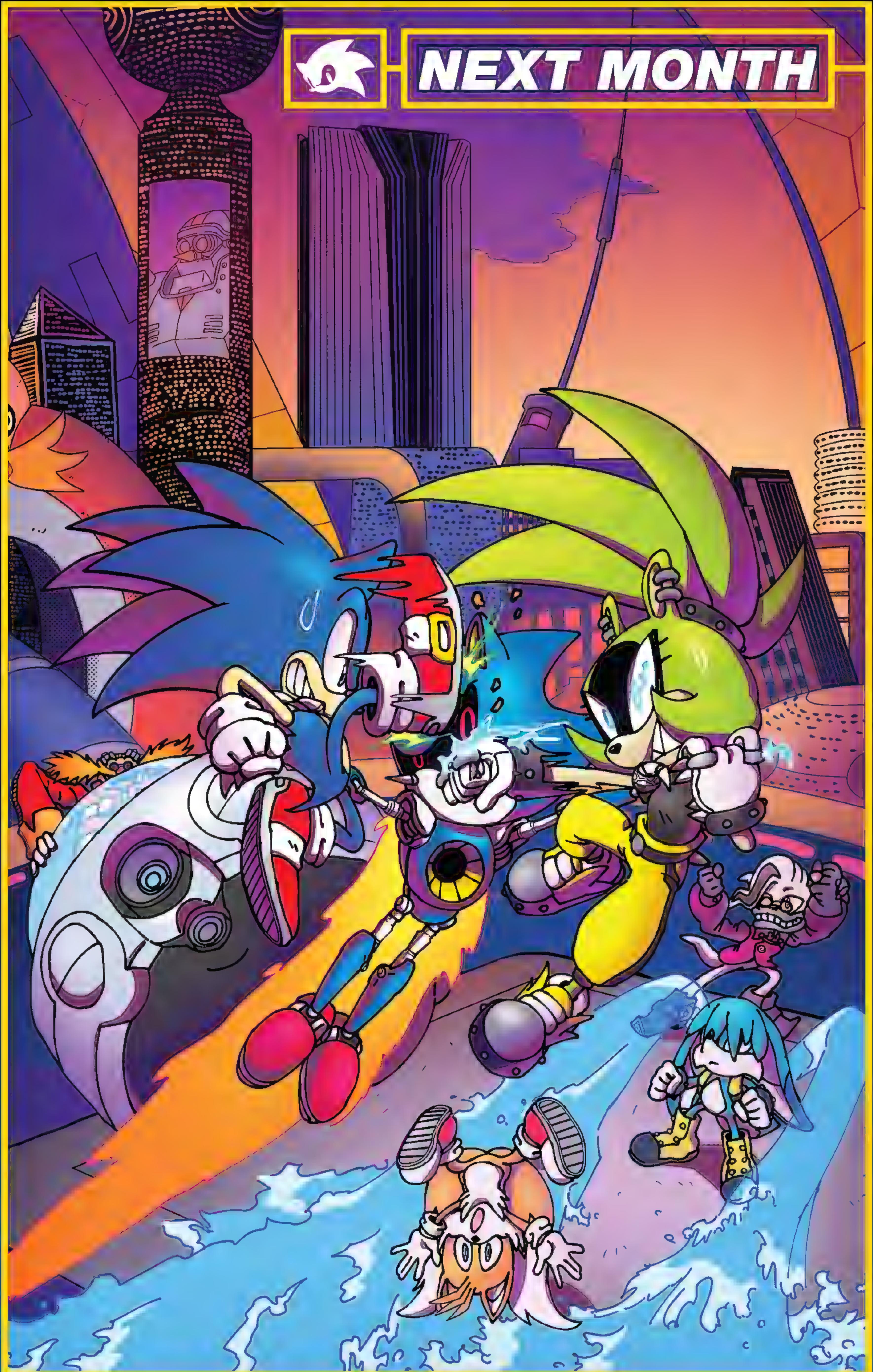
THE BADNIKS WILL BE SUFFICIENT FOR ANCILLARY SUPPORT, FREEING YOU TWO UP TO FOCUS ON WHAT YOU WERE MADE FOR.

ONCE YOU'VE SEPARATED AND CORNERED YOUR TARGETS, YOU WILL STRIKE WITH ALL YOUR FEROCITY AND WITH ZERO REMORSE...

NEXT TIME:
INVADING THE
EGGMAN EMPIRE!



NEXT MONTH



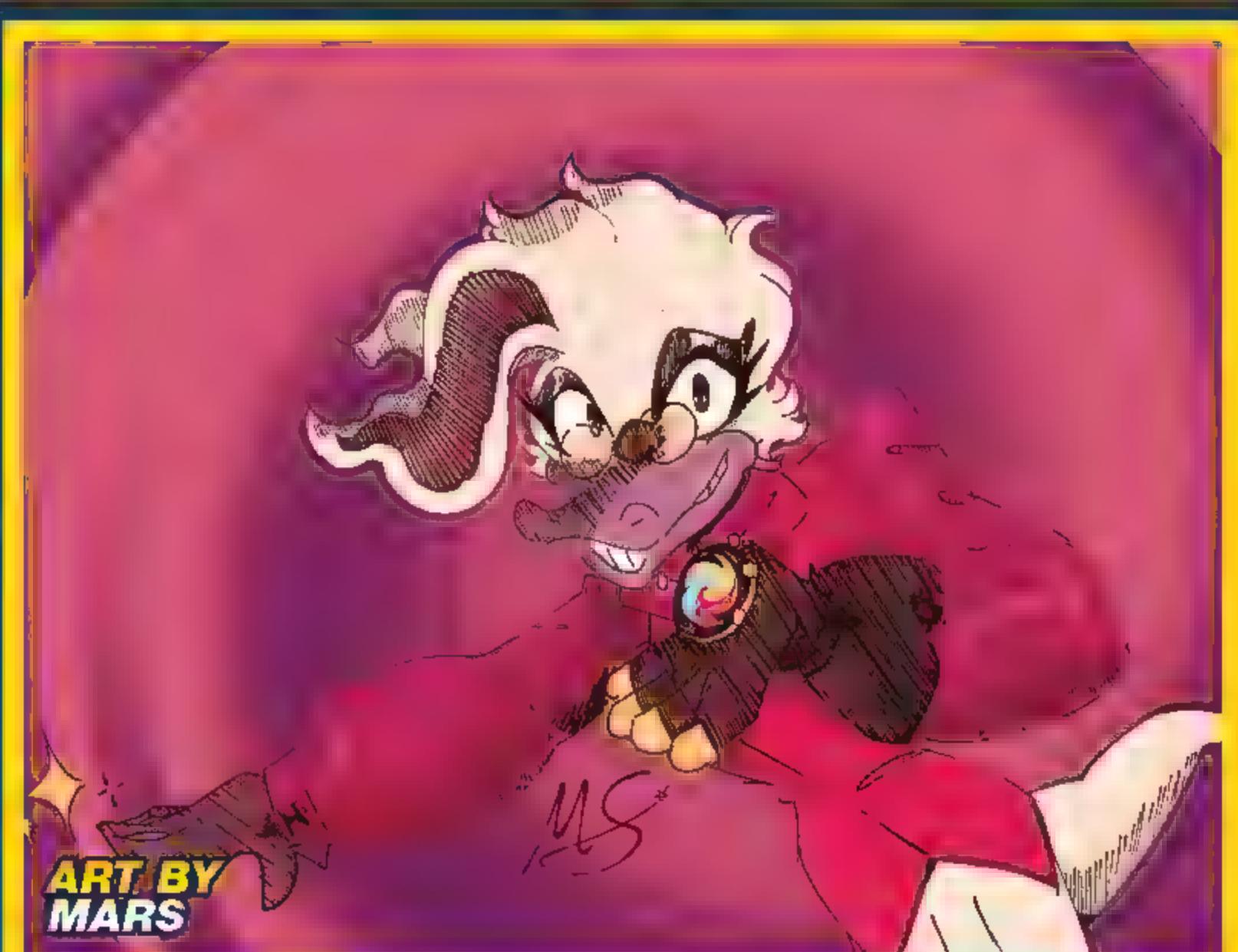
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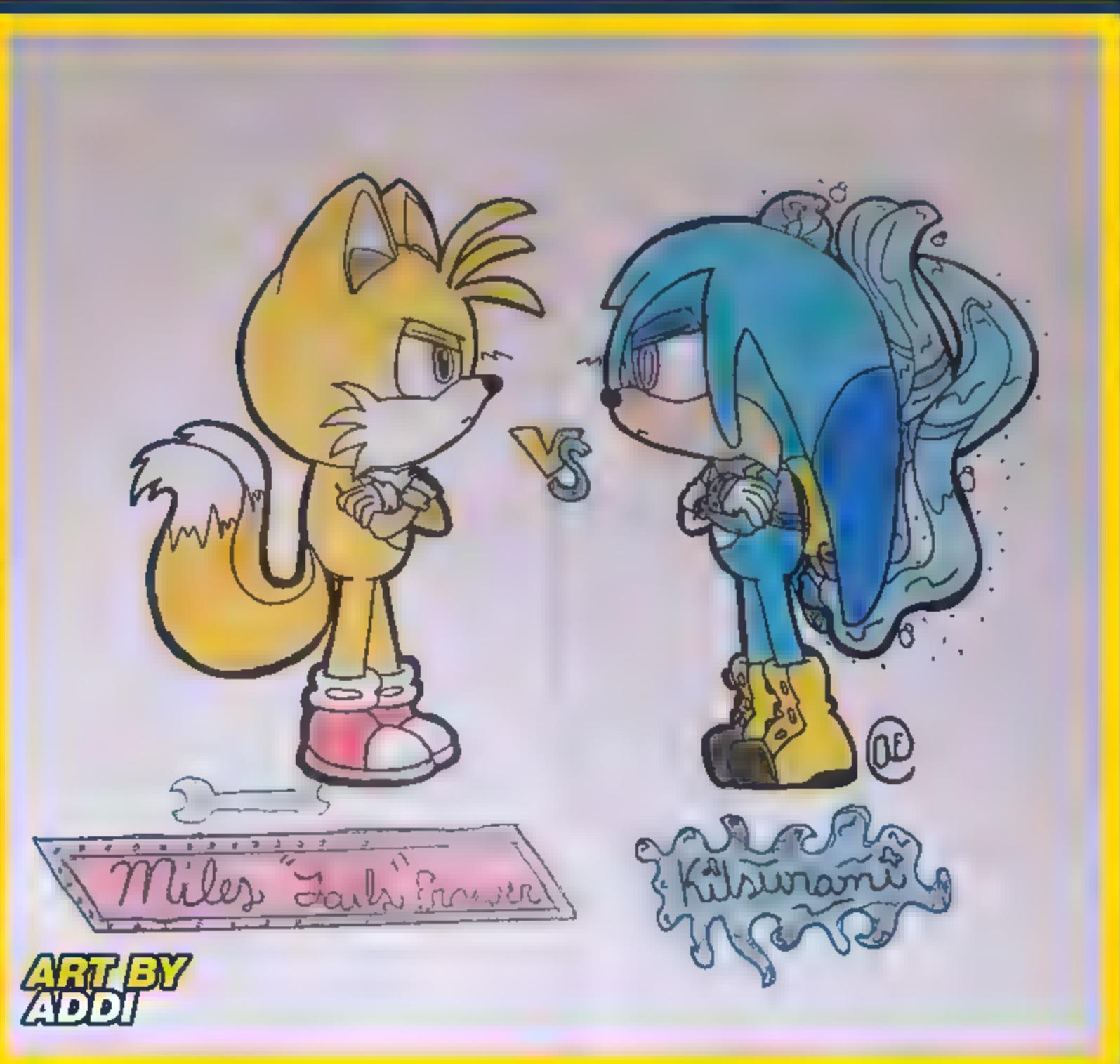
LETTERS SQUAD



Hello, Imposters! Does anyone else think Surge is losing it a bit? Thank you for joining Ian Flynn, Thomas Rothlisberger, Mauro Fonseca, Valentina Pinto, and Shawn Lee for Imposter Syndrome #3! Our inbox has been flooded with Imposter Syndrome art, so check out some below!

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